

**REMARKS**

Claim 12 is pending. Claim 12 has been amended and claims 1-11 have been cancelled by this response. Claim 12 has been rewritten in independent form, and is in condition for allowance.

The specification has been amended to describe that the program segments of the mark-up tool 12 may be written in the programming language VC<sup>++</sup>6.0®, which is a trademark of the Microsoft Corporation. This amendment is supported in the originally filed claim 5 and is not new matter. The description conforms with MPEP 608.01(v).

In summary, it is believed that this application is now in condition for allowance and such allowance is respectfully requested.

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Respectfully submitted,



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